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Hard-hit schools handed \$50M

Too little, too late?

Funds aimed at boosting enrolment at 20 post-secondary schools

Blindsided

"The problem is, if you're at the institution, you can't just snap your fingers and recreate programs that you've cut..." Wildrose advanced education critic Bruce McAllister



JEREMY NOLA
Metro in Calgary

Student space at Alberta post-secondary institutions could be beefed up as early as January, as the province announced Wednesday it was handing back a third of the funds slashed in March's provincial budget.

The \$50-million injection will be spread "equitably" among 20 schools hit by the cuts, using a formula that tacks 2.6 per cent worth of funding onto their base amount, said Advanced Education Minister and Deputy Premier Thomas Lukaszuk.

However, the money will come with conditions that schools use it solely to boost enrolment, or fund "over-en-

rolment," he said. The cash covered a little more than a third of the \$147 million cut in the austere spring budget.

"What it really underscores is, as I've always said, this was a budget of necessity, not choice — the moment I can reinvest, I will," Lukaszuk said. "It's sort of promise made, promise kept."

Opposition critics, however, were quick to suggest the damage to many institutions had already been done.

"They realize they did a giant disservice to an industry and blindsided it," said Wildrose advanced education critic Bruce McAllister. "The problem is, if you're at the institution, you can't just snap your fingers and recreate programs that you've cut, bring back professors that have left and increase

enrolment numbers when you've reduced them."

A Metro analysis in August found that 45 programs had been suspended or eliminated and faculty complements had been reduced by a total of 500 positions. Schools like U of A had also warned that the worst may be yet to come as they mulled over shortfalls into the tens of millions.

Even with the funding announcement Wednesday, which most deemed a surprise, officials with major institutions were cautious to speculate on whether there would be an immediate impact.

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AHS not making contract talks any easier, says nurses' union

The head of the province's nurses says Alberta Health Services' attempts to push more nurses into full-time work are making already tense contract negotiations more difficult.

Nurses working for AHS have been without a contract since April 1 and negotiations for a new deal started this past summer. Heather Smith, president of the United Nurses of Alberta, said AHS has asked for rollbacks to long-held provisions like guaranteed days off and a set number of hours between shifts.

Smith said some of the demands have been so regressive that the union has wondered about AHS' sincerity.

"We have actually questioned AHS at the table as to their intentions. Are they intentionally being provocative in their proposals to create a crisis or force some sort of showdown?" she said.

AHS and the UNA have been engaged in war of words over recent AHS advertisements about full-time nurses. Smith charges AHS is not actually looking for new people, but rather to move part-time nurses into full-time jobs.

AHS responded to the comments in an emailed statement, saying only that it did not want to negotiate in the media.

"Commenting on labour negotiations away from the negotiating table would be inappropriate, and not helpful," read the statement.

The statement went on to say the advertisements about full-time nurses are an important part of keeping the public informed about their health system.

"We want people to understand what is going on. These advertisements are one way of doing that."

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO



Grant MacEwan University will receive more than \$2.6 million in provincial government funding. STEPHANIE DUBOIS/FOR METRO

Extra cash 'a nice surprise' for schools

Post-secondary.
City education officials delighted with \$50-million boost

Edmonton's post-secondary officials welcomed the provincial government's injection of \$50 million with open arms on Wednesday.

"I know the minister had talked earlier in the year about the possibility of requesting some in-year funding for post-secondary — particularly to enrolment challenges — so it was a nice surprise that in fact the minister was able to do pretty much what he said he was go-

Cuts' impact

\$147 million was taken from the post-secondary education budget this spring.

- The University of Alberta's science faculty had a hole of \$4 million as a result of the cuts.
- 90 positions were lost at NAIT due to budget restrictions.

ing to do," said David Atkinson, president of Grant MacEwan University. "It's not often you pick up the phone at 9 o'clock

and someone tells you there's an additional \$2.6 million."

The much-needed dollars are expected to help suffering student enrolment numbers, according to Minister of Advanced Education Thomas Lukaszuk, after \$147 million was taken from the post-secondary sector in the spring budget.

The University of Alberta will receive more than \$14.4 million thanks to the additional Campus Alberta funding.

"This is excellent news — not only for our university and the PSE (post-secondary education) sector, but for the province as a whole. Alberta needs a highly educated workforce, and Alberta's universities

have a critical role to play in fulfilling this provincial need," wrote U of A president and vice-chancellor Indira Samarasekera in a university blog post Wednesday.

The University of Alberta Students' Union said the extra dollars represent an important move forward.

"We're not quite there yet. We still feel there's a ways to go in terms of re-investment. However, as I said, it is a great first step," said Adam Woods, vice-president external.

Other schools in Edmonton receiving funding include NAIT, with more than \$2.6 million, and NorQuest College, with over \$1 million.

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No more pay-panic. City extends e-parking pilot

The city is extending a pilot program of new electronic parking meters, but the machines will be removed for several months early next year.

Edmonton has been borrowing the ParkPlus machines from Calgary for the last six months and has extended the trial to make sure the technology will work in cold weather.

Parking supervisor Brian Murphy said the trial period was about testing pay-by-plate technology and not necessarily Calgary's specific machines.

"It's just a trial program. We want to have a look at the technology itself," he said.

He conceded Calgary's system could be the ultimate winner in the bidding process next year, but the city has to take the machines out to be fair.

"It would be unfair to the rest of the businesses who are competing for the bid," he said.



The pilot e-park program has been extended, but the machines will be removed in the new year. METRO FILE

Mayor Don Iveson said he's glad the test is working well, but he doesn't believe the city should be wedded to specific machines and there needs to be a competitive process.

"I'm sure that's what Edmontonians expect us to do ... (to) maintain an eye on value," he said. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Yellowbird shooting. RCMP charge Hobbema man with murder

The mother of a woman shot in her home on a central Alberta reserve is finding some solace that police have finally charged a man with murder in her daughter's death.

Chelsea Yellowbird, 23, was shot on the Samson Cree First Nation on Sept. 5, 2011.

Trina Yellowbird said when RCMP told her Wednesday that police had made an arrest, it was like a heavy load was lifted from her shoulders.

"Hearing the news was good but I have mixed emotions right now," Yellowbird said. "Now I can sleep. It will bring me peace. I have been waiting for this."

RCMP have charged 20-year-old Shelby Minde of Hobbema with first-degree murder after a two-year investigation.

Minde was being held in custody and is to appear in Wetaskiwin provincial court. A date has not been set.

Reserve resident Roy Louis said the arrest in the Yellowbird case will reassure people that such violence will not be tolerated. "As a community member I'm very happy that this has taken place," Louis said. "I think it is very important as part of our healing."

RCMP said the investigation continues.

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Dr. Scott Soehn talks with patient Jason, 19, in the YESS medical clinic. STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO

Clinic for homeless youth expands

Clinical boom. More hours offered for mental and medical services as demand grows

STEPHANIE DUBOIS

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The doctor's orders are in and they're looking good for some of Edmonton's youth.

A medical clinic for kids living on the street has recently

expanded at the Youth Empowerment and Support Services (YESS) Armoury Resource Centre, just north of Whyte Avenue.

The clinic now includes Tuesday evenings in addition to the Wednesday morning health services to meet the growing demand from youth.

"The goal over time is trying to expand this based on the need and we're just trying to figure out what would be good for the youth to access the clinic," said Dr. Scott Soehn, one of the doctors working in

Reach
80-100

Number of youth who have visited the medical clinic since it opened in January.

the clinic.

The Edmonton Southside Primary Care Network (PCN) partnered with YESS to open the clinic, which has reached between 80 and 100 youth since it opened in January.

"It was a piece of the puzzle

that YESS didn't have in place," said Doug Craig, general manager of the Southside PCN.

In the past, YESS clients had to go to walk-in clinics or to a hospital, but now they can go to a location many of them know well.

"It's beyond words what they have done for our kids," said Deb Cautley, executive director of YESS.

To help the clinic operate, the local youth group provided \$2,000 for medical supplies in the clinic, in addition to space in their building.

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WIN 3. Councillors back shuttered women's shelter

City councillors pledged Wednesday to fight for a women's shelter that recently closed.

WIN 3, a shelter specifically intended for immigrant, refugee and trafficked women, closed at the end of October due to lack of funds.

Councillors were set to debate giving the shelter \$50,000 in emergency funds, but the shelter's executive director Janine Fraser told them she would not be re-opening until she had long-term, stable funding.

She said closing the shelter, laying off staff and turning women away was too difficult.

Mayor Don Iveson said he will make a strong case to the federal and provincial govern-

Size and success

The annual operating budget for the shelter would be \$420,000. It can accommodate four families at a time.

- Fraser said 96 per cent of women who came to the shelter did not return to their abusive relationship, which is much higher than other shelters.

ment, because this is their area of responsibility.

"It is a dereliction of duty on the part of the other orders of government," he said.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Repugnant tweets. School trustee may be kicked out of his brand-new position

A newly-elected school trustee in rural Alberta is apologizing for sending racist, homophobic and sexist tweets.

"I'm deeply sorry for what happened," said James Andre, 50, on Wednesday. "I don't want people to get an impression of me, because that's really not me."

Andre said most of the comments were jokes he retweeted to friends and that he sent them out before he won his seat on the Battle River School Board on Oct. 21.

Some of the jokes denigrated black people, and made reference to Auschwitz and gay sex. One called singer

Miley Cyrus a prostitute.

"I found them funny so I just retweeted them," said Andre. "They're offensive. There's no doubt about it and it's something that I should have thought of."

He admits not all of the comments were retweets. Some were his own.

"Watching black people on Maury Povich ... not hard to tell the porch monkey gene still run wild," he tweeted.

Board chair Kendall Severson said the group is getting legal advice on whether Andre can be removed from his position.

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Art Breier and Bud Zeitz, two of the co-owners of Hangar 11, stand inside their massive building on Wednesday. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Hangar 11 alleges unfair treatment

No money to move out.
Airport property owners must vacate by Nov. 22



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A company that has to vacate expropriated land at the City Centre Airport says that if the city doesn't step up with some

money, they can't afford to move out.

Art Breier, one of the co-owners of Hangar 11, said the city is offering less than half of the assessed value of the land and doesn't seem willing to pay moving costs.

With the expropriation date set for Nov. 22, Breier said if the city doesn't change its mind they won't be able to go anywhere.

"We can't afford it. We are

mostly retired guys that have invested in the city, invested in this hangar," he said.

City spokesperson Cheryl Oxford said the city had an independent appraiser evaluate the buildings and is still assessing costs for moving and business losses.

"The city is still working through compensation details for those who are eligible to receive compensation," she said.

Breier said they are speak-

ing out because they hope Mayor Don Iveson will get involved.

"We're hoping the mayor will hear this and will try to have a meeting with us," he said.

Iveson is unsympathetic. "Some people have unreasonable demands or frankly they have waited too long to get their act together.... Frankly, we have given them years of notice," he said.

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Empty schools costing Catholic school district

Nearly \$3M. Low enrolment means teaching dollars to be used for maintenance

Low student enrolment in Edmonton Catholic schools will mean \$2.9 million previously set aside for teaching and learning this school year will now be

used for maintenance.

With 10,298 empty student spaces currently, several of the Edmonton Catholic schools are being used at less than half of their capacity. As a result, these schools cost the district more to operate.

"Those schools require additional resources to heat, light and maintain those empty spaces so that's where the \$2.9 million will go to," said Boris

Radyo, assistant superintendent.

Out of the 87 school buildings operated by the district, the average age of the buildings is 42 years, with 32 of those schools more than 50 years old.

One option for under-used schools still being considered is a replacement school proposal. The facility would replace St. Gabriel, St. Kevin, St. James and St. Brendan. But not everyone thinks a replacement school is

the way to go. Lana Brenneis, who has two children at St. Gabriel, says Alberta Infrastructure's utilization formula is skewed and not a full representation of the classroom.

"They're supporting the argument that they want to close the schools and build a nice new one, but really it's not being fair to the schools that are really, really trying hard to stay alive." **STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO**



St. Basil Catholic School is one of the facilities under-used in the Edmonton Catholic School District, with 632 empty spaces. **STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO**

Research. Studying soldier stress in Afghanistan

Researcher Ibolja Cernak returned from Kabul earlier this week with data on how Canadian soldiers handle stress.

Following pre-deployment study of stress hormones in soldiers' urine and saliva, plus cognitive tests, researchers did the same for a month in Afghanistan, living on base with soldiers while they perform a close-out mission there.

"Soldiers did well on physical and mental health tests. Our troops are strong multi-taskers — very well trained and quick to respond," said Cernak. "But Kabul is full of stress, and 30 soldiers were tagged for follow-up at home. Our goal is to catch a problem early so we don't allow a full, chronic illness to develop."

Research assistant and Reservist Jose Areekadan said even if the troops weren't facing gunfire, stressors remain.

"The soldiers are away from home and have to perform tasks in an environment with poor air quality," he said. "They feel like they always have to have their game face on."



Ibolja Cernak, Canadian Military and Veterans' Chair in Clinical Rehabilitation at the University of Alberta **LUCY HAINES/FOR METRO**

Tammy Wheeler, executive director of the Royal Canadian Legion for Alberta and the North West Territories said she hopes the study will lead to more preventative therapies.

"None of us realize what soldiers face — we want to support those coming home that need help," she said.

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Curb the Danger

Program arrests almost 6,000 impaired drivers

Edmonton Police Services' Curb the Danger program has arrested 5,805 impaired drivers since it started in 2006. The program has received 60,728 calls from the public also during that time.

In October, there were 786 calls from the public to report suspected impaired drivers, which resulted in 276 intercepts, 62 impaired charges, 21 24-hour suspensions, and 64 letters sent to the registered vehicle owners because police could not intercept the vehicle. **METRO**

Air, water, soil quality

Alberta bill for environmental panel passed

The Alberta government has passed legislation for an arm's-length panel to monitor the environment and help officials reduce pollution in years to come.

The Protecting Alberta's Environment Act passed third reading in the legislature Tuesday night.

Environment Minister Diana McQueen says the act will create an agency to better monitor and disperse information on air, water and soil quality. Opposition politicians say it is a good idea, but it is poorly executed. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Senate. Tories scramble to figure out the small print in suspensions

Questions, questions ...

The Conservative government is scrambling to figure out what the suspensions of three of its own senators actually mean.

Tuesday's suspensions of Mike Duffy, Pamela Wallin and Patrick Brazeau for allegedly fraudulent expense claims are without precedent and the government still hasn't figured out all the answers.

Are the three entirely off the public payroll, as Prime Minister Stephen Harper claims.

Is Duffy eligible for a disability allowance?

Will the trio's time in pol-

itical purgatory — as much as two years — count toward the six years of service needed to be eligible for a generous parliamentary pension?

Good questions — and it's up to the Senate to answer them, said Treasury Board President Tony Clement, the chief guardian of the public purse.

"You're asking very legitimate questions and there should be answers to those questions," Clement said Wednesday, stressing that the Senate runs its own internal affairs.

"I honestly don't know the answer to that."

Claude Carignan, government leader in the Senate, called the questions "technicalities" that will be sorted out by the administration.

Pamela Wallin's lawyer, Terrence O'Sullivan, told Global News she will consider legal action if the Senate tries to tamper with her pension eligibility.

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Ford: No, no, no!

Friends, foes plead.

Toronto mayor refuses to step aside and get some help after his crack bombshell

Crack-smoking Toronto Mayor Rob Ford has united the political spectrum.

Both conservative and left-leaning politicians are telling him to step aside in the wake of his bombshell admission he has smoked crack cocaine during his time in office.

When it was first reported in May that a video showed the mayor smoking crack, Ford denied it and his closest allies stood by him.

But now he has admitted to the drug use and police have said they have the video, politicians of all stripes are urging him to get help.

Deputy Mayor Norm Kelly said Wednesday: "I'm inviting him today ... to take a pause with all its advantages, because it's the one option



Not a care in the world? Toronto Mayor Rob Ford shows staffers' children around city hall on Wednesday — Take Your Kids To Work Day. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

that looks after all of the issues on the table."

Ontario Opposition Leader Tim Hudak said he would tell Ford to put his family first and get healthy.

Fervent City Hall ally

Coun. Frances Nunziata said she and fellow supporters are urging him to take a leave of absence.

"I was hoping he would listen to us," she said.

Right-leaning Coun. Giorgio Mammoliti stressed there

is no need for panic.

"We have a very capable deputy mayor and dedicated councillors to carry forward with the fiscally responsible agenda we were elected to implement, he said.

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"They've been making this whole process up as they go along."

James Cowan, Senate Liberal leader, claiming the Tories rushed the suspensions through.

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In this photo from 2002, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat pauses during Friday prayers in his headquarters in the West Bank city of Ramallah. Al-Jazeera is reporting that Swiss scientists have found evidence that Arafat died of poisoning, publishing a copy of what it said was the scientists' report on its website on Wednesday. LEFTERIS PITAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Arafat may have been poisoned

Report. Swiss scientists say the Palestinian leader's death could be due to a rare, deadly radioactive isotope

Swiss scientists have found evidence suggesting Yasser Arafat may have been poisoned. TV station Al-Jazeera reported Wednesday, prompting new allegations by his widow that the Palestinian leader was the victim of a "shocking, shocking" crime.

Saudi Arabia

Huge crackdown on illegal workers leaves 1 dead, 16,000 arrested

Saudi police killed an Ethiopian migrant who tried to flee arrest, authorities said Wednesday, as a crackdown on foreigners working illegally in the kingdom widens with more than 16,000 arrests. The security sweep comes after months of warnings by the Saudi government, which has created a special task force who are combing shops, construction sites and restaurants in search of foreign workers without proper permits.

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Palestinian officials have long accused Israel of poisoning Arafat, a claim Israel has denied. Arafat died under mysterious circumstances at a French military hospital in 2004, a month after falling ill at his West Bank compound.

The findings reported Wednesday appear to be the most significant so far in an investigation into Arafat's death initiated by his widow, Suha, and Al-Jazeera.

Last year, Switzerland's Institute of Radiation Physics discovered traces of polonium-210, a deadly radioactive isotope, on some of Arafat's belongings. Soil and bone samples

were subsequently taken from Arafat's grave in the West Bank.

On Wednesday, Al-Jazeera published the Swiss team's 108-page report. The results "moderately support the proposition that the death was the consequence of poisoning with polonium-210," the report said.

Polonium is a rare and lethal substance. The element can be a byproduct of the processing of uranium, but usually is made artificially in a nuclear reactor or a particle accelerator.

The examination of Arafat's remains found "unexpectedly high levels" of polonium-210, the Swiss team wrote.

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Looking for 'closure'. Hijacker returns to U.S. from Cuba to face justice

An American who hijacked an airliner to Cuba nearly 30 years ago flew back home Wednesday to face U.S. justice.

FBI agents took William Potts, 56, into custody shortly after his flight from Havana landed at Miami International Airport, said an FBI spokesman. Potts faces a 1985 federal indictment for hijacking a Piedmont Airlines flight in 1984.

In interviews prior to leaving Cuba, Potts said he was seeking "closure" and hoped to convince U.S. prosecutors to give him credit for the 13-plus years he spent in Cuban prison

for hijacking the flight.

Even though Potts could have stayed in Cuba, he decided to come home and take his chances with the legal system.

"It's time it had closure. Why leave it hanging, why leave this gaping uncertainty?" he said. "So I want to resolve that because ... having completed my sentence, I feel like I want to put all that stuff behind me. I don't want that lingering over or impeding anything I might want to do. Once you've paid your debt to society you're entitled to a fresh start."

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Sweden's gender bias movie rating

Study. Of the top 100 U.S. films in 2011, women accounted for 33% of characters and 11% of protagonists

You expect movie ratings to tell you whether a film contains nudity, sex, profanity or violence. Now movie theatres in equality-minded Sweden are introducing a new rating to highlight gender bias, or rather the absence of it.

To get an A rating, a movie must pass the so-called Bechdel test, which means it must have at least two named female characters who talk to each other about something other than a man.

"The entire Lord of the Rings' trilogy, all Star Wars movies, The Social Network, Pulp Fiction and all but one of the Harry Potter movies



The director of movie theatre Bio Rio in Stockholm, Ellen Tejle, holds an A-rating certificate. Some cinemas in equality-minded Sweden are using a test to highlight an absence of gender bias. AMI BRAMME/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

fail this test," said Ellen Tejle, the director of Bio Rio, an art-house movie theatre in Stockholm's trendy Södermalm district.

Bio Rio is one of four Swedish movie theatres that launched the new rating last month to draw attention to

how few movies pass. Most visitors have reacted positively to the initiative and "for some people it has been an eye-opener," said Tejle.

"The goal is to see more female stories and perspectives on cinema screens."

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'Barbecued' for a cause

Animal-rights activist and co-founder of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) Ingrid Newkirk lies on a mock barbecue stand as a sign of protest in Mumbai on Wednesday. The action marks World Vegan Month, which celebrates health, environment and the animal-friendly vegan diet.

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Cars and smokestacks

Carbon dioxide levels at record high: UN

World carbon dioxide pollution levels in the atmosphere are accelerating and reached a record high in 2012, the United Nations weather agency said Wednesday.

The heat-trapping gas was measured at 393.1 parts per million last year, up 2.2 ppm from the previous year, said the Geneva-based World Meteorological Organization in its annual greenhouse gas inventory.

That is far beyond the 350 ppm that some scientists suggest as the safe upper limit.

As the chief gas blamed for global warming, carbon dioxide's 2012 increase outpaced the past decade's average annual increase of 2.02 ppm. It's expected to cross 400 ppm by 2016. Carbon dioxide remains in the air for a century, some of it far longer.

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This photo shows a barge on Treasure Island in San Francisco on Tuesday. The barge is one of three mysterious floating structures that have sparked online speculation. JEFF CHIU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Google says barge is for interactive learning

The three barges.

The East Coast barge built in New London, Conn., in July was recently towed to Maine

Internet giant Google says it is exploring using a large barge as an interactive learning centre.

A statement released Wednesday from Google's press centre may help end weeks of speculation about the purpose of structures on two barges, one being built in the San Francisco Bay, another off Portland, Maine.

"Google Barge ... A floating data centre? A wild party boat? A barge housing the last remaining dinosaur? Sadly, none of the above," says the statement. "Although it's still early days and things may change, we're exploring using the barge as an interactive space where people can learn about new technology."

Google did not specify in the statement if it was referring to both barges or, if just one, which one, and the firm

Shrouded in secrecy

Until now, city officials responsible for land use and state officials responsible for the bay have said they didn't know what was being built there.

- Coast-guard inspectors who visited the construction sites had to sign non-disclosure agreements.

did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

Google has been building a four-storey structure in the heart of the San Francisco Bay for several weeks, but managed to conceal its purpose by constructing it on docked barges instead of on land, where city building permits and public plans are mandatory.

If Google wants to operate an on-barge interactive learning centre in the San Francisco Bay, the firm will eventually need to get permission from the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Jurassic discovery

'King of gore' dino ruled before T. rex

Paleontologists on Wednesday unveiled a new dinosaur discovered in the western state of Utah that proves giant tyrant dinosaurs like the Tyrannosaurus rex were around 10 million years earlier than previously believed.

A full skeletal replica of the carnivore — the equivalent of the great uncle of

the T. rex — was on display at the Natural History Museum of Utah alongside a 3D model of the head and a large painted mural of the dinosaur roaming a shoreline.

It was the public's first glimpse at the new species, which researchers named Lythronax argestes. The first part of the name means "king of gore," and the second part is derived from poet Homer's southwest wind.

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Formula six?

Google ordered to block Max Mosley orgy photos

A French court ruled Wednesday that Google must rid its search results of nine images of an orgy involving former Formula One chief Max Mosley.

Google's associate general counsel, Daphne Keller, said the ruling amounted to ask-

ing the search giant to build a "censorship machine."

In 2008, the now-defunct News of the World newspaper published a story alleging that Mosley participated in a sex session with prostitutes. It also posted a video on its website that purported to show Mosley during the session.

"This is a troubling ruling with serious consequences for free expression, and we will appeal it," said Keller.

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A toxic relationship? Canadians have trouble trusting telecom providers

Complaints about wireless data, roaming and Internet bandwidth charges have more than doubled, with Canadian consumers showing increasing distrust of the bills they get from telecom providers, says the industry's watchdog group.

Billing charges involving these three issues generated customer complaints more than 1,500 times in the past year, according to the annual report by the Commissioner for Complaints for Telecommunications Services released on Wednesday.

The non-profit group helps resolve disputes between consumers and telecom service providers.

Howard Maker, commissioner and CEO of the organization, said people have difficulty understanding how their data use is measured and telecoms are falling short on explaining the charges.

"It's not tangible. People really have to rely on their service provider and many Canadians are not prepared to do

Hard to quantify

"You can't wrap your arms around a gigabyte of data."

Howard Maker, commissioner for Complaints for Telecommunications Services

that," said Maker.

He added the industry should do a better job of relaying how data charges accumulate, such as providing consumers with documentation of the data used upon request.

"In no case that we reviewed did we find a service provider which offered a way to independently verify that the amount of data measured was accurate," the report said.

"We again urge the industry to take greater steps to instill confidence in the metering and billing of data, roaming and bandwidth charges."

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The green rush: Investors high on potent profits in U.S.



MassRoots has rolled legalization of marijuana in three U.S. states into a high-grade social media app for consumers. CONTRIBUTED

Budding business. The legalization of marijuana in some U.S. states has sparked massive growth, with \$2.3B in projected sales in 2014



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Metro World News in London

A year after the first three U.S. states legalized marijuana, it has become an irresistible commodity in a booming industry. Conformation of the revolution came in Seattle this week, where investors paid over \$1,000 US just to attend a start-up fair and have the chance to buy in.

"It's an extremely professional event full of high-quality opportunities," says Isaac Dietrich, CEO of MassRoots, a social-media app for consumers. The 21-year-old has secured \$150,000 US in investment

Mellowing out on marijuana

A recent Gallup opinion poll showed 58 per cent public support for full legalization. Jim Willett, 62, ex-navy and social conservative, is now among those pro-pot.

- "It's a much broader and more diverse type of company than the early days of just selling (marijuana) pipes," said Willett, who has made \$750,000 US from a \$150,000 US investment in a specialist marijuana security firm, and holds software and agricultural shares too.

from hedge-fund managers, and the only way is up.

The "gold rush" includes projected sales figures of over \$2.3 billion US next year, according to investors circle ArcView, representing growth of 64 per cent — the fastest of any domestic industry.

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Hire a veteran

Starbucks brews up plan to give war vets jobs

Starbucks says it plans to hire at least 10,000 veterans and military spouses over the next five years.

The Seattle-based coffee company says it will develop a system dedicated to matching the skills of veterans and military spouses with jobs throughout its organization. Starbucks says it has nearly 200,000 employees worldwide.

Several companies in recent years have committed to hiring veterans or military spouses. Earlier this year, for example, Walmart said it planned to hire more than 100,000 veterans over the next five years.

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B.C. tree planters

Discrimination case nears end

The B.C. Human Rights Tribunal will hear final arguments next month as it considers the case of a group of tree planters who allege they endured slave-like conditions and discrimination while working at a remote camp in southeastern B.C.

The roughly 50 planters, many of them recent immigrants or refugees from Africa, complained about the conditions of the Khaira Enterprises Ltd., camp in July 2010.

Forests ministry officials shut down the camp after the planters were discovered in filthy conditions, without proper shelter or clean water.

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Rogue rollbacks

Walmart website posts unreal prices

Treadmills for \$33? Computer monitors for \$9? The deals are too good to be true — even at Walmart.

It turns out they're not. Walmart says a "technical error" caused certain products to be priced absurdly low or high on its website Wednesday morning.

The company said late Wednesday that it had resolved the issue and walmart.com is now operating normally.

A spokesman said that the company is notifying customers who ordered these items that their orders have been cancelled and they'll be refunded in full. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Douglas Coupland

Douglas Coupland's latest novel, *Worst. Person. Ever.*, is available from Random House Canada.

Day 4

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Who's the boss?

Meet and grit: How to get ahead

You've likely heard the saying "It's not what you know, it's who you know."

While some might view temp work as just a way to make ends meet, it could be an opportunity to get a better job down the road.

Human-resources expert Laurie Ruettimann told monsterworking.com that being a temporary employee might not land you a full-time gig with a certain company, but the people you connect with could open up future employment doors for you.

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Social security

A way to get your foot in the door

While the money isn't always great, the payoff can be "unbelievable," said a consultant at Supertemp in Halifax, who declined to be identified.

"You meet a lot of clients and companies you wouldn't have a foot in the door with otherwise," she said, adding that about 25 per cent of Supertemp's clients transition to full-time work. **METRO IN HALIFAX**



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Temp's Lack of Jeans Day Spirit Irks Co-workers

I walked into the office the next morning only to experience that sickening pang we all dread: jeans day — enforced perkiness among the girls, while the guys make theatrical, creepy, ass-gazing gropey faces in the lunchroom. No jeans for me.

My jacket wasn't even off when Sarah No. 3 stuffed a wad of documents covered with sticky notes into my hand. "I need these alphabetized like we did last week."

"Fine."

She stared at me.

"Is there a problem?" I asked.

"You know, it wouldn't have been so hard to throw on some jeans today."

"I'm not a very jeans-y person."

"Morale is really down around here and we need some fun."

"OK..."

"It's not even for us, Shannon. It's for the kids."

I gagged and then the phone rang: "Good morning. Taylor, Wagner & Kimura Filter Systems, a proud patriotic company since 1899. One moment, I'll connect you." Then the Danimal rolled up to the desk, winking like mad. "How was last night's, ummm ... date?"

"Date? It wasn't a date. It was Mister McFunbury's for exactly 120 minutes."

"And what was Mr. Xu like?"

I wanted to keep my secret. "Nice enough. Limited English, though."

"Did he say anything about the company I should know about?"

Boy did he ever! "No. Mostly we just stared at the *How I Met Your Mother* reruns playing on the screen above the salad bar." A total lie. "I don't think he's very espionage-y."

"Oh." Danimal seemed let down.

Just then Kyle walked in with a delivery. "Hot and heavy at McFunbury's last night, huh?"

I was peeved. "What the —? It's none of your business, Kyle. And who told you?"

"I was driving back from the oil refinery. Saw you there with

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your date. Senior's Night, too—rocking!"

"The refinery? Why were you there?"

"I'm applying for a job."

"Oh." Kyle was acting as if he and I are somehow a real couple. At the same time, there I was getting surprisingly verklempt thinking of no more Kyle, with him working at that big gross refinery for the rest of his life.

Kyle said, "I'm sick of being a temp on wheels, and it's occurring to me that I'll never even be middle class let alone some big success story, and maybe I need to get my foot in the door at a place that is never going to go out of business — hence oil."

The phone rang; it was Xu. "Gotta take this, guys." I picked it up. "Good morning. Taylor, Wagner & Kimura Filter Sys-



Random fact of the day

We're obsessed with hole foods:

- There are more doughnut shops in Canada per capita than any other country.

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tems, a proud patriotic company since 1899."

Kyle and the Danimal lumbered off.

I lowered my voice into the receiver. "Hey Shoeboy. How you doing?" **TO BE CONTINUED...**

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Take a deep breath, everyone.

I'm not going to make a single crack-related pun, because as a front-line witness to this extraordinary week I think it would be in everybody's best interests if I made multiple crack-related puns.

I live in Toronto, and can't begin to explain how dreamlike it's been since police found the video of Mayor Rob Ford smoking cracky tabaccy.

It's one thing to see it from a distance and laugh, but when it's happening right in your city and—uh, hold on, the pro wrestler Iron Sheik just arrived at city hall to challenge Ford to a fight—as I'm writing this.

This will be my last column. I'm off to live in the woods.

Crack is wack: The last few days have been unreal even without professional wrestling; it's like I've been ingesting some intense, illegal narcotic that gives intense feelings of euphoria and disorientation. (EDS: Will be more specific when I think of one.)



HE SAYS
John Mazerolle
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As one example, Ford, again as I write this, is showing kids around city hall for Take Your Kids to Work Day. Meanwhile, one of the local news papers has published a lifestyle article, "How To Talk To Your Children About The Mayor."

I live in the Twilight Zone.

Ford is a surreal mayor to begin with. His successful platform of law, order and honesty from an average Joe is an awkward fit for a disorderly crack-smoking liar from a well-to-do family. He also says he's pro-car, but I'm starting to think the next round of court documents will show that whenever nobody's looking he hops on a bicycle.

At least half my conversations lately have been with friends from outside the city who ask:

"So, uh... what's up with your mayor?" They ask in a curious but cautious tone, the way you might ask a friend about their upcoming sex change. "We love you no matter what, but could you explain it to me?"

Makes me wonder what it's like at home for people who support Ford. Do they get calls from out-of-province friends who say, "Saw your mayor smoking crack on the news. So jealous! Mine just flips burgers and cuts ribbons."

I used to try to explain Ford's appeal—the suburban support, the fiscal conservatives, but from now on I'm just going to say that 45 per cent of Torontonians adore crack. The city's just as liberal as you've heard, everyone! Pot, schmot. Let's legalize everything!

Besides, I'm not worried about our international reputation the way some people are. It's not like people aren't going to London, England, because of Mayor Boris, who from a distance sometimes seems like a Ford that drives on the left. And I don't think many people look at Jeffrey Dahmer and think, "Well, that's Wisconsin for you!"

I'm done worrying about Ford. As the mayor himself might say, we need to move forward, not crackward.

I say Toronto—and Canada—should embrace its crazy characters, the mayor included. Otherwise we might go insane. Or put another way, we laugh that we may not crack.

And... exhale.

ZOOM

Mudslinging? It's mud-singing!



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Funny fish seem to be operatic

These wide-mouthed amphibious fish look like they are duetting in an audition for a singing talent show. Wildlife photographer Daniel Trim couldn't believe the strange display unfolding when he spent time watching a group of mudskippers (Oxudercinae).

He observed them pulling

a range of funny poses as they languished in the mud at Krabi in Thailand.

"The two mudskippers became very aggressive and lined up side-by-side and postured making strange 'popping' and 'gurgling' noises before viciously attacking each other for several minutes. The loser did eventually retreat with only its pride in tatters," Trim said.

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Living the life

- These amphibious fish live in the Indo-Pacific region and the Atlantic coast of Africa. Many species of mudskipper spend 90 per cent of their time on land.
- These fish fill their gill chambers with water, creating an oxygen tank that allows them to breathe out of water.

Quoted



"This may look like two drunk friends singing their hearts out but this is a territorial display as one male ventures too close to another's burrow."

Daniel Trim, 26, wildlife photographer

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Mozilla Developer Network:

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Twitter

@metropicks asked: Canadians are known for politeness, hockey talents and Bryan Adams. Oh and a crack-smoking mayor. What do you think of our new reputation?

@serpentina66: At least now we can sit at the 'cool' table at the UN.

@MadonaW: People act like he's the only person in office that has done anything "bad" I say random drug tests for all politicians #whatnow

@Jihzay_: I bet a surprising amount of mayors smoke crack. Most just avoid video cameras.

@stopspanglish: Ahem, *Toronto*

is known for having a crack-smoking mayor.

@Vokal_Apinyawns: @chelseahandler brought @TOMayorFord up on yesterday's show. I am concerned about our reputation. #RealPriorities

@livelifeinneon: only a matter of time before we had some scandal. Maybe now people will stop saying "Eh" to us all the time.

@SteveDodd: NO NO NO Toronto is known for its mayor. He doesn't represent Canada thank you.

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A tribute to the troops

Lest We Forget.

Event attempts to bring generations together to remember the big sacrifices made during times of war



JENNIFER LARAWAY
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As a proud daughter of a veteran, I grew up hearing stories about the preciousness of basic rights and how dangerous it can be protecting them.

But, like many other people my age, I will never see war beyond the images shown in the news.

I will never know what it must have felt like for my parents to spend the first year of their marriage apart: birthdays, first Christmas, first anniversary — all missed because my dad was on a peace keeping mission.

Because I've had the luxury of freedom, I can't imagine the experiences of so many serving or who have served.

I am not alone. Musical tribute Lest We Forget organizer Cheryl Balay of the Cosmopolitan Music Society explains overcoming challenges of bridging generational gaps through Remembrance Day ceremonies.

"Keeping the younger generation involved is something we struggle with. We try to make sure we are doing more than military marches and ceremony to get younger people involved," Balay said.

That's why we incorpor-



Lest We Forget takes place Nov. 9 at the Jubilee. CONTRIBUTED

ated jazz bands and some Broadway or mainstream tribute music that is known more in the pop culture realms, such as Les Misérables, but is still touching.

"We've suggested grandparents buy a ticket for their grandchildren and attend together. It's a great bonding experience and plus the younger generation gets a sense of who is involved and the sacrifices made," Balay said.

Another touching aspect

Details

- Saturday, Nov. 9.
- Program, including silent auction, begins at 6:30 p.m.
- General admission is \$25.

of the Lest We Forget ceremonies is the number of veterans and current soldiers attending ends up representing three service bands.

"When their regimental march is played, those sec-

tions stand and salute. It's remarkable to see how many people of the public are actually part of the military family in some way," Balay said.

The indoor ceremony,

which takes place at Northern Alberta Jubilee, also features the marching of colours and honours 2013 as the year of the aboriginal veteran.

"This year, we have a stacking of the drums by the Royal Canadian Artillery band. They build a pyramid of drums that ends up looking like a cenotaph and has the book of remembrance on top," Balay adds.

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Sex, love and the age of a dynasty's overthrow

Books. Amy Tan's new novel explores the mother-daughter relationship in the context of a courtesan

EMILY LAURENCE
Metro World News in New York

It all started with a single photo. Amy Tan was flipping through an old family photo album when she came across a picture of her grandmother she hadn't noticed before. "She was wearing a tight jacket, pants and a headband," Tan remembers. Having read a book about Shanghai in the early 1900s, Tan recognized the garb as the uniform for courtesans, prostitutes with high-society clients. "Of course I was taken back by what this meant about my grandmother and I became very obsessed with the notion that she might have been a courtesan," Tan says.

The book is not based on Tan's grandmother, but it did set the stage for her latest novel, *The Valley of Amazement*, a story about an American woman and her daughter, who becomes a courtesan during the overthrow of the Ching dynasty.

Similar to Tan's book, *The Joy Luck Club*, the mother-daughter relationship is a strong theme in her new novel. In the book, the mother betrays



Amy Tan tries her pen at her first sex scene in her new book. GETTY IMAGES

her daughter, Violet, by leaving her behind. This abandonment leaves her mark on Violet, who thirsts for an enduring type of love and is not able to fully forgive her mother. "I know what (this feels like) because it happened to my sisters," Tan says. "They were left behind from my mother when she came to the U.S., and although they longed for her and loved her, they never quite forgave her."

Violet's coming of age story is made more complicated when she discovers that she's half-American and half-Chinese. The book takes place in the international settlement in Shanghai, which is where wealthy Westerners were housed. "During this time period, Chinese people were invisible. Nobody would ever consider making friends with a Chinese person," Tan says. For Violet to learn she is bi-racial

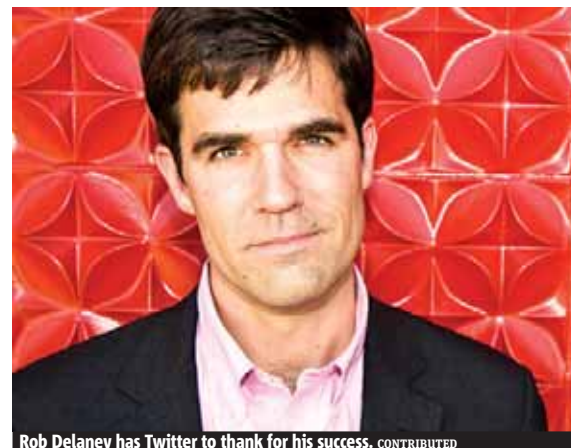
alienates her from both American privilege and Chinese community. For this part of the story, Tan again was inspired by her ancestors. "Both on my mother's side and my father's side there were family members who engaged with English-speaking translators," she says.

The Valley of Amazement is Tan's raciest book yet — she had never written a sex scene until penning this book. "I avoided including it, but my editor told me, 'This takes place in a courtesan house. You have to have sex.' Tan put a lot of research into her sex scene, scouring academic books about courtesan houses during this time period.

"Wives actually used to visit courtesan houses and pay money to learn what courtesans did with their husbands, so you knew something special was happening there," she says.

Rob Delaney. It's a tough job being funny in 140 characters or less

Rob Delaney is pretty famous. But he didn't get there by following the career trajectory that most successful working comedians had to take. Delaney became famous through his Twitter account, where you can find the 36-year-old doling out sharply witty jokes and morsels of irreverent, ironic social commentary in 140 characters or less. Delaney is capable of being funny in long-form as well, however, as is evidenced by his just released book: *Mother. Wife. Sister. Human. Warrior. Falcon. Yardstick. Turban. Cabbage.* The book is part memoir, part rambling musings, and all funny. We got Delaney on the line to talk about the weird world of Twitter and the pains of standup.



Rob Delaney has Twitter to thank for his success. CONTRIBUTED

Do you feel a lot of pressure to be funny every time you tweet?

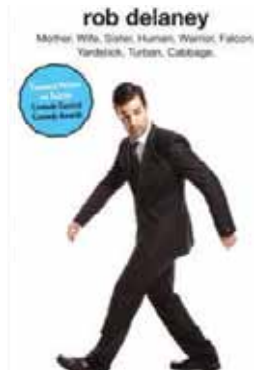
I mean, I like to be funny, but I wouldn't probably call it pressure because — wait, let me rephrase that. Yes, I do feel pressure to be funny, which I enjoy, because I like pressure. You know, I'm one of those people that enjoy deadlines. I enjoy 140-character constraints. I enjoy going onto the stage in front of hostile people. I am damaged or tanked in whatever way makes me want to do those things. For better or for worse.

Well, as far as audiences go, the Twitter audience — or the Internet audience in general — is just about as hostile as it gets. How have you inured yourself to any haters on

Twitter?

I've developed thick skin. I like to think about it as a positive. Nobody wants to have people say bad things about them, but it's a good idea to get desensitized to it if you want to have a career in the public. Because there is a measure of truth to the fact, well, that it's indicative of you having some success, you know? Obviously there are people who receive criticism where it's warranted — I can say with confidence that sometimes I deserve criticism that I get.

How does writing for the Internet, writing for stand-up and writing a book differ from each other — how do you wear all those hats?
Well, Twitter is very offhand. Whatever turd is rolling through your mind. I put no thought or prep into Twitter. For standup I work painstakingly over months and years to create stories and anecdotes and moods and presentation. And onstage, I mean I'm really working to create a visceral experience for the audience that demands that they stare at it and listen intently, forces them to laugh. It's physical, and a much stronger connection.



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Justin Bieber. ALL IMAGES GETTY

Spray what you like about Justin but he loves graffiti

The website of Brazil's biggest news outlet published photos Wednesday it says show pop star Justin Bieber spray painting graffiti on a wall. And it adds that police want to question him about it. The O Globo newspaper reported that photographers snapped photos of Bieber as he painted graffiti on a wall of the former Hotel Nacional in Rio de Janeiro Tuesday morning. Defacing buildings is a crime in Brazil punishable by up to one year in jail and a fine. O Globo said police went to the mansion Bieber

rented in Rio to question him, but he was not there. Phone calls and emails to the police department for more details went unanswered. Calls and emails to Bieber representatives Melissa Victor, Nick Styne and Aaron Rosenberg were not returned. In the Colombian capital of Bogota, where he performed last week, Bieber upset authorities when he spray-painted graffiti on a wall along one of the capital city's main avenues while being escorted by officers in a police car. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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The Word



Is Will Smith stepping out with co-star Margot Robbie?



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Will Smith reportedly had a steamy romp in a photo booth at a party with Focus co-star Margot Robbie, which may spell trouble for his allegedly shaky marriage to Jada Pinkett Smith, according to Star magazine. At the pre-Halloween bash in New Orleans, sources say Smith and Robbie slipped into the photo booth to pose for some snaps commemorating the night. "Once they pulled the curtain back to take the pictures, they let

their inhibitions run wild, laughing, hugging and nuzzling each other in the dark," the source says. "He wasn't acting like a married man. He gave no signs that he was in a committed relationship." Smith and Robbie didn't stick around to collect the photos, though, as Smith's assistant snapped them up once they were printed. "After they left the party, they were gone all night," the source says. Apparently, Jada and Will Smith are living separate lives; they haven't appeared in public together since August. Smith has been in New Orleans for work since mid-September while Pinkett Smith has reportedly moved out of the family's home and is living with her brother, Caleb, in Calabasas, Calif. Is it bad that I'm OK with Will and Jada breaking up? They made it 15 years — that is several lifetimes for a union in Hollywood. What more do we want from them?



Abigail Breslin

Sun sets on Miss Breslin's innocent youth

Little Miss Sunshine star Abigail Breslin is apparently all grown up at 17 years old — at least grown up enough to have a 25-year-old boyfriend. Breslin has reportedly "just started dating" All Time Low singer Jack Barakat, accord-

ing to E! News. Breslin and Barakat were photographed together at the premiere for her latest film, *Ender's Game*, and he "visited her on the set of her new movie." Her rep had no comment.

Twitter



@DanaDelany

When I was 5, a raccoon took a sandwich out of my hand. I think he's outside my bedroom glass door. #truelove4ever



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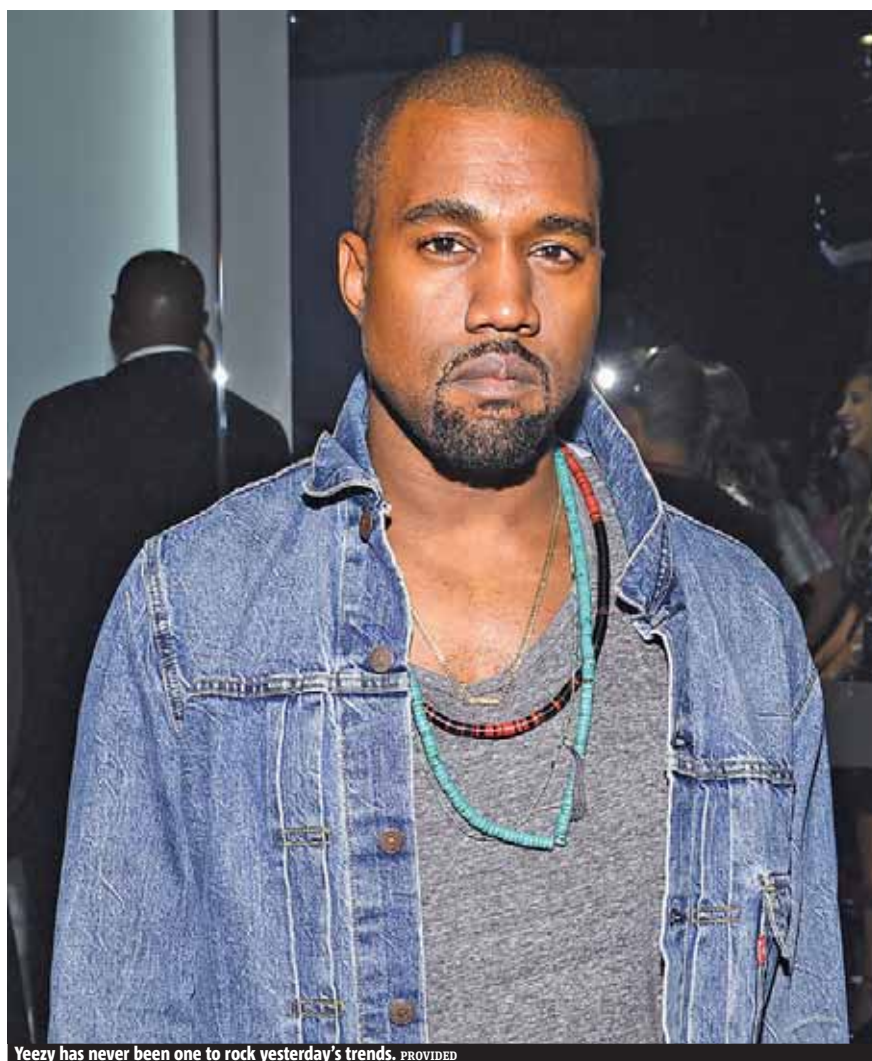
Tour de frock. From CD-Rom veils to repurposed vintage gowns, Kanye West is determined to make fashion news, one way or another

ALICE TATE
Metro World News

It's been a big month for Kanye West. First, he puts a 15-carat rock on the finger of that small-time fiancée of his, Kim Kardashian. Next, he gets a giant wardrobe delivery courtesy of Maison Martin Margiela.

The French fashion house that has forever been shrouded in mystery has provided the singer with all of the outfits for his coming Yeezus tour. The extensive custom-made collection consists of 20 ready-to-wear pieces, 10 couture pieces, and a rumoured "exclusive" pair of trainers — we're intrigued.

The tour — the rapper's first solo concert trail in five years, which is taking him around North America — has unsurprisingly already garnered much music media attention. Heck, it even has its own Wikipedia page. But now, with the news of Margiela's involvement, it's caught the eye of the fashion world, too. We spoke to Margiela's team who answered the questions we were dying to know — except for the big one: will Margiela have any involvement in the wedding? For now, that one remains a mystery.



Yeezy has never been one to rock yesterday's trends. PROVIDED

How involved has Kanye been in designing the collection?

The collection is a re-work of Maison Martin Margiela's haute couture archive pieces. They have

been chosen both by Kanye and the Maison. The Maison then researched new fabrics and volumes to reinterpret the pieces and match contemporary artist Vanessa Beecroft's scenog-

raphy.

Can you guide us through some of the key pieces?

An elongated embroidered bomber jacket was remade from a 1900s lady's dress;

Selective style

"The Maison still has a very discreet policy in terms of celebrity dressing but we always choose to work with people we feel close to."

Maison Martin Margiela team

a coat was made out of military blankets; and military jackets were assembled together to create an oversized cape. As for the veils, some have been re-interpreted from our archives, while others were created specially for the Yeezus tour. Four different veils complete the set — one is composed of marble pieces and another one is made from CD-ROMs. All are embroidered on a silk chiffon base.

How long has it taken to pull the outfits together?

It took approximately five weeks from the first piece of research to the final fittings.

Are celebrity relations and outfits a direction Margiela is looking to take?

The Maison still has a very discreet policy in terms of celebrity dressing but we always choose to work with people we feel close to.

Will any of the pieces from the tour retail?

None of these pieces will be sold. Similar sneakers can be found in store as they are Margiela classics but this pair were reproduced in special colours for the Yeezus tour.

Wanted. Maloles loafer

When you think of tortoiseshell you probably only associate it with eyewear. And rightly so, because it's rarely used outside of that narrow confine. That's why these Maloles loafers are Wanted-worthy —

they take an underused material and make use of its full potential.

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Wanted. Eddie Borgo bracelet

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Double-duty daybeds

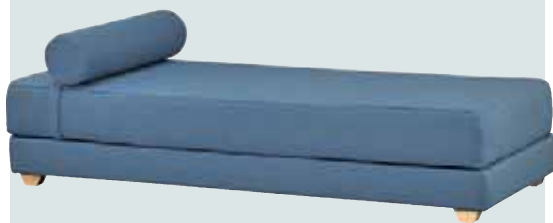
The daybed has been a furnishing staple for hundreds of years, and with good reason — it's the perfect blend of sofa and guest bed. It works in a small space as a double-duty piece, and in a large space, it can float in the middle of a room.



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Chic and colourful

It's a stylish lounge by day, but flips out into an oversized queen bed by night. Lubi Turquoise Sleeper Daybed, \$999, cb2.com.



Storage solution

Simple lines, a stylish tufted mattress and storage drawers mean this works as a spare bed or home-office perch. Stratton Daybed With Drawers, \$2,090, potterybarn.com.



Two-sided perch

Because this is open on each side, it's the perfect two-sided perch when floated in the middle of a long room. Natuzzi Sassi Leather Daybed, \$1,800, sears.ca.



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A bed, couch and storage all in one. Ikea PS Daybed, \$599, ikea.ca.



Room for a crowd

Extra length and traditional lines make this custom piece hip and happening. Nine Foot Field Bench, \$4,500 US, johnderian.com.



Entertaining

Don't be a guest at your own party

Is there really such a thing as carefree entertaining?



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Though the era of domestic staff is long over, many

people are still trying to convince the modern-day host that it's somehow possible to entertain at home stress-free while acting like a guest at your own party.

Well, I'm here to tell you that there is nothing further from the truth.

Yes, a get-together at your home can be done with a minimum of stress depending on how you plan your menu. Let me give you a few examples. If you're going to be cooking the dinner, choose menu items that you can make ahead of time. Then all you have to do

is put them on the stove or in the oven, and pay them relatively little attention until they're ready. A beef stew, lasagna or roast chicken are great examples. Make your salad ahead of time too, so all you need to do when you serve it is to add your home-made dressing. Have your friends bring a ready-made cake for dessert. You, my readers, get the point.

But as for the question of whether you can act like a guest at your own party, the answer is — never.

You see, as a host, you have

the important responsibility of ensuring your guests are having a good time. You want to make sure they always have a drink in hand, that the dip for your hors d'oeuvres is fresh, and that everyone has something to eat and, most importantly, someone interesting or fun to talk to. What this means is that you can never completely relax as a guest would.

You can and absolutely should have a good time — just don't confuse having a good time with abdicating your responsibilities as a host.



By all means have a good time at your own party, Charles says, but don't forget your responsibilities toward your guests. ISTOCK

A commitment to bold colour

Paint. If you're thinking of a bright feature wall, here are a few common mistakes to watch for

With bold paint colour becoming increasingly popular, many homeowners and interior designers are choosing to take the plunge with bright hues.

Bold feature walls and painted rooms are being seen more on the pages of magazines and design websites, and Kyla Bidgood, registered interior designer, said more of her clients are asking for the same.

"I think people have commitment issues with colour,

but they want to experiment a little bit, and obviously the easiest way to do that is by not using paint," she said.

"You can use accessories, pillows, throw blankets or even area rugs to get pops of colour into a space without committing to paint your space."

But if you're looking at expanding the splash of colour onto your walls, Bidgood said it is important to consider balance.

Even though many people perceive white as a neutral and boring colour, it can be an important addition to a space if furnishings, accessories and artwork are bright and bold.

"White really draws your eye away from the wall to

other furnishing, art and patterns," said Bidgood. "Navy blue and blacks make a piece of art with a white frame really pop, especially if the art is in a bright colour."

Bidgood said many people pick their paint colours based on the chip at the store. Instead of buying all your paint based on the chip, Bidgood said take small paint samples

of several variations of the colour.

"It's really about finding the right hue, so if you have a colour in mind chances are what it looks like on the chip is going to be different than how it looks on the wall," she said.

"Get maybe three to five variations of the colour, and paint the swatches right on

the wall and have a look at it in different types of lighting. Sit with it for a few days because you might have an idea of how it will look, but after a few days you may not love it as much anymore."

A common mistake Bidgood said people make when it comes to picking a wall colour is that it can be something they would

choose in a fabric or piece of clothing.

"It doesn't necessarily translate to a larger surface like a wall," she said. "When you're picking a colour you often need to pick a colour that is slightly less intense because it is going to be very bold when you paint a large space."

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Victoria-based interior designer Kyla Bidgood perked up this home office with bright blue paint. JEN STEELE PHOTOGRAPHY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Resale value

- When it comes to using bright paint colours in a home, a concern is often how it might affect the resale of the property. But whether you go bold or safe and neutral, interior designer Kyla Bidgood said you're never going to great a space that everyone loves.



A bright red door on a home decorated by Victoria-based interior designer Kyla Bidgood. JEN STEELE PHOTOGRAPHY

- "Chances are if you sell and someone moves in they will want to paint it again anyways," she said. "If I were to buy a house that was all beige, I would definitely be looking to paint it. It's not to

say the neutrals are necessarily safe either."

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A Grilled Maple-Glazed Apple Slice a day keeps the taste buds happy

The recipe makes about 1 cup of glaze, but you won't need all of it. The extra can be covered and refrigerated for several weeks. It is delicious over pancakes, waffles, French toast or ice cream. It also is great used on chicken, turkey and pork.

1. Glaze: In small, heavy-bottomed saucepan over low heat, combine maple syrup, cider and sugar. Stir to dissolve sugar, then add the cinnamon stick, star anise and cloves. Bring to a simmer and cook until reduced by about a quarter. Stir in 1 teaspoon of the soy sauce. Taste and adjust with more, if desired. Let cool to room temperature, then remove the spices.

2. Heat grill to medium-low.

3. With apple corer, cut out cores and seeds from apples, leaving apples otherwise whole. Setting the apples on their sides, cut each into 1/2-inch-thick rings. Brush both sides of each apple ring with oil.

Ingredients

Glaze:

- 1 cup maple syrup
- 1/4 cup apple cider
- 1/4 cup dark brown sugar
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 2 whole star anise
- 1/8 tsp ground cloves
- 1 to 2 tsp soy sauce (optional)

- 2 large tart apples, such as Granny Smith
- Vegetable oil

4. When the grill is ready, place the apple rings on the grill grates and cook with the grill covered for 2 minutes per side, or until they have deep grill marks on both sides. Brush the tops of the apple rings with glaze, then cook for another 2 minutes. Turn over, brush with more glaze, then grill for another 2 minutes. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ELIZABETH KARMEL, AUTHOR OF SOAKED, SLATHERED AND SEASONED.**

Grilled Maple-Glazed Apple Slices



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Butter up your pork chops

The butter in this recipe balances and rounds out the smoke and the heat from the chipotle chili and the adobo sauce, and the toasted green pumpkin seeds add texture and eye appeal to the butter.

1. Butter: In a medium bowl mash or stir the butter until it is smooth and slightly fluffy. Add the chipotle, pumpkin seeds, chili powder and salt. Mix together, mashing with the back of a fork to make sure all the ingredients are incorporated. Taste, then adjust with additional salt, if needed.

2. Set a 6-by-12-inch sheet of kitchen parchment or plastic wrap on the counter. Spoon the butter onto it to form a log. Roll the butter up, then smooth out to form a round log about 5 inches long. Refrigerate until firm and easy to cut into rounds, about 15 minutes. The butter can be made in advance and stored, tightly covered, in the refrigerator for up to a week (or in the freezer for up to 3 months).

3. When ready to prepare the pork chops, prepare the grill for direct, medium heat

Pork Chops with Chipotle-Pumpkin Seed Butter



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

cooking.

4. Remove the butter from the refrigerator and cut four 1/2-inch slices off of the log (you will have some butter left over) and set aside.

5. Meanwhile, use paper towels to pat pork chops dry. Brush with thin coat of olive oil, then season with salt and pepper.

6. Place the chops directly on the cooking grate and grill for

Ingredients

Chipotle-Pumpkin Seed Butter

- 1 stick unsalted butter, softened
- 1 small chipotle chili in adobo sauce, drained and chopped finely
- 1 tbsp lightly toasted and cooled hulled pumpkin seeds (often called pepitas)
- 1/2 tsp ancho chili powder
- 1/2 tsp Maldon salt flakes or fleur de sel

Pork Chops

- 4 boneless centre-cut pork chops, 1-inch thick
- Olive oil
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper

5 to 6 minutes per side. The chops will be done when they feel "firm" to the touch and register 140 F at the centre. Remove the chops from the grill and top immediately with a piece of the butter.

7. Let chops rest 5 minutes before serving and allow the butter to melt over the top as it rests. If desired, serve with a second round of butter. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ELIZABETH KARMEL, AUTHOR OF SOAKED, SLATHERED AND SEASONED.**

Side. Skillet Cranberry-Apple Sauce & Pistachios



These fruits complement one another so wonderfully, there actually are numerous ways to combine them. You could even chop raw cranberries and apples, then toss them with sweetened lemon juice, red onion and minced jalapenos for a fresh salsa-like accompaniment.

1. In a large skillet over medium-high, melt the butter. Add the apples and cook until lightly browned on all sides, 5 to 7 minutes. Add the vinegar, water, brown sugar, cinnamon, cardamom and cranberries. Stir well and bring to a simmer. Cook until the liquid is thick and syrupy, 2 to 3 minutes.

2. Spoon the apple-cranberry sauce into a serving bowl, then top with the pistachios. Serve warm or at room temperature. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp butter
- 4 large apples, peeled, cored and cut into 1/2-inch wedges
- 2 tbsp cider vinegar
- 1/3 cup water
- 2 tbsp brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp ground cardamom
- 1 cup dried cranberries
- 1/4 cup crushed toasted pistachios

Women's hockey

Canada edges U.S. early at 4 Nations

Natalie Spooner broke a tie on a 5-on-3 power play with 3:30 left and Canada beat the United States 4-2 on Wednesday night in the Four Nations Cup women's hockey tournament.

Megan Bozek and Josephine Pucci gave Canada the two-player advantage with delay of game penalties 1:18 apart.

Brianne Jenner added an empty-net goal with 12 seconds to go, Haley Irwin and Melanie Daoust also scored and Genevieve Lacasse stopped 21 shots for Canada.

On Friday, Canada will face Sweden, and the U.S. will play Finland. The pre-Olympic event opened Tuesday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NBA

Pacers get perfect finish vs. Bulls to stay unbeaten

Luis Scola, Donald Sloan and Lance Stephenson accounted for all the points in a decisive 12-2 run, thwarting a late charge by the Chicago Bulls and sending the Indiana Pacers, the NBA's last unbeaten team, to a 97-80 victory Wednesday night.

The Pacers are 5-0 for the first time since 1971-72. Paul George had 21 points and six rebounds to lead Indiana, while David West had a season-high 17 points and 13 rebounds.

Luol Deng and Derrick Rose scored 17 points each to lead Chicago (1-3). Rose scored only three points in the second half.

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Trade talk: Yakupov still a golden asset

NHL. Oilers shouldn't rule out shopping around last year's No. 1 overall pick while his value is high



THE HOCKEY NEWS
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Should the Oilers trade 2012 first overall draft pick Nail Yakupov? The answer to that question depends on what the return is, but assuming the Oilers would only consider the option if they got a solid, long-term asset — or assets — that addressed the team's holes at defense or in net, it's a scenario worth considering.

Let's get one thing straight: Yakupov hasn't even begun to scratch the surface of his potential. He was in the Calder hunt last season, but hasn't got his motor running yet this year. This isn't anything new to sophomore players. If the Oilers do trade Yakupov this year, they shouldn't, and I'm sure won't, do it because they expected more consistency out of him over his first 62 NHL games. Yakupov still needs to be thought of as a long-term prospect who won't hit his prime for another two, three, four years or more.

It's almost unbelievable that we're talking about the possibility of trading a No. 1 overall pick less than a year and a half after his draft day,



Nail Yakupov skates against the Toronto Maple Leafs during a game in Edmonton on Oct. 29. **DEREK LEUNG/GETTY IMAGES**

but the Oilers shouldn't feel any regret over choosing Yakupov instead of defenceman Ryan Murray, or trading down for Griffin Reinhart, Morgan Rielly or Hampus Lindholm. On the contrary, the best option for the team holding the No. 1 overall pick is to take the best player available, which Yakupov was. The draft isn't a place to pick up an immediate need — it's a place to pick up a golden asset if you have a high pick. You pick up immediate needs in free agency — or through trade.

The reason why you always take the best player available at No. 1, even if you

are already flush with talent at that position, as the Oilers were in 2012, is because you take control of the best asset. If it becomes apparent later on that your team is in dire need of improvement in other areas of the roster, you can still turn to that asset, which you know there will be a hungry marketplace for, and try to turn it into the specific improvement you need immediately. Would the Oilers be any better off today had they taken Ryan Murray No. 1, or is Yakupov able to bring them a better defenceman or goalie further along in their development? I tend

to lean towards the latter.

That asset only becomes a problem for the team when he struggles for a few years and starts carrying around the "bust" label. That's when the player's value takes a major dive. But we're nowhere near that point with Yakupov yet. He still has light-years to develop into an NHL superstar — in Edmonton or elsewhere.

Because of that, I'm not sure there is a right answer to the question "Should the Oilers trade Nail Yakupov?" But, should the Oilers consider trading Yakupov? In their current situation, absolutely.

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Hawks blow Jets out of Windy City

NHL. Winnipeg follows up big win vs. Red Wings with another loss to champs

Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane scored in the first period, leading the Chicago Blackhawks to a 4-1 victory over the Winnipeg Jets on Wednesday night.

The Blackhawks also got goals from Brandon Pirri and Patrick Sharp in their fourth win in five games. Corey Crawford made 24 saves and defenceman Duncan Keith had two assists.

Winnipeg forward Michael Frolik received a standing ovation when he was recognized during a break in the first period in his first game in Chicago since he helped the Blackhawks win the Stanley Cup in June. Frolik, who played a pivotal role on Chi-



The Blackhawks' Brandon Bollig checks the Jets' Adam Pardy, knocking loose a glass panel, on Wednesday night in Chicago.

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cago's penalty-kill unit last season, was traded to the Jets for draft picks at the beginning of the off-season.

With the game in hand with 6:22 left in the third, Blackhawks forward Brandon Bollig got a big cheer from the sellout crowd when he

drove Jets defenceman Adam Pardy through a glass panel in Winnipeg's end of the ice.

Pardy then was leaning over the boards and into the crowd when a fan took his helmet off and put it on. A woman also dumped her beer on Pardy before the officials were able to break up the scrum.

Devin Setoguchi scored his third goal for the Jets in the third period of his 400th career game, and Al Montoya had 24 stops in his second career game in his native Chicago.

It was the Blackhawks' second convincing victory over the Jets in five days. Chicago won 5-1 in Winnipeg on Saturday.

The Blackhawks grabbed control at the end of the first, jumping ahead 2-0 in a span of 2:25 while bouncing back from Sunday's 3-2 overtime loss to Calgary.

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Things get hairy after Raptors tempt Henderson

Bobcats centre Bismack Biyombo dunks over the Raptors' Jonas Valanciunas on Wednesday night in Charlotte. Gerald Henderson broke out of his shooting slump with a season-high 23 points to lead the Bobcats to a 92-90 win. NELL REDMOND/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Curling

Scott avenges Canadian trials loss to Kleibrink

Kelly Scott scored the decisive point in the 10th end and edged Shannon Kleibrink 6-5 on Wednesday in Draw 4 action at the 2013 Capital One Road to the Roar Olympic pre-trial tournament.

In a rematch of the 2005 Canadian Curling Trials final, won 8-7 by Calgary's Kleibrink, the two rinks fought for control on tricky ice.

Scott scored the only steal of the game in the sixth end when Kleibrink couldn't get around the front guards.

Scott was able to put the game away on an open hit.

"We felt somewhat in control (when) we got our deuce and stole the one, but it's so close and you're never in the clear," she said. "We did feel in control with last rock in the last end. It was definitely a conscious effort to try to have hammer coming home."

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Locker-room bullying

Dysfunctional Fins family hits home



CATHAL KELLY
Special to Metro

It's an important trope of sports that all of us who watch it sub in the word "family" when we think of "team."

That's what they're selling. You'll never be a brother. At best, you're a distant cousin. But you are all bound by a camaraderie.

This is why the NFL is jumping so hard on the Jonathan Martin-Richie Incognito story. It's gotten far more reaction, far more quickly than the concussion problem.

The concussion problem is a closed loop. It's players hurting players. The Incognito problem — tormenting a teammate into some sort of breakdown — spins outward. It endangers the concept of family, and our imagined place in it.

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CATHAL KELLY ON RICHIE
INCOGNITO.

NFL. Peers say lack of leadership has led to turmoil among Dolphins

A leadership vacuum may have contributed to the troubled relationship between Miami Dolphins offensive linemen Jonathan Martin and Richie Incognito, which has left both players sidelined and the team in turmoil.

The ongoing saga has raised questions about whether coach Joe Philbin and his staff were negligent in allowing issues between Martin and Incognito to fester. Current and ex-players around the NFL say the situation reflects a lack of leadership because teammates of Martin and Incognito didn't intervene.

NFL officials are trying to determine who knew what when, and whether Incognito harassed or bullied Martin. A second-year tackle from Stanford, Martin left the team last week and is with his family in California to undergo counselling for emotional issues. Incognito has been suspended indefinitely.

A senior partner in a New York law firm with experience in sports cases was appointed Wednesday by NFL commissioner Roger Goodell to investigate possible misconduct in the Dolphins' workplace and prepare a report that will be



Jonathan Martin
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

made public.

"If the review reveals anything that needs to be corrected, we will take all necessary measures to fix it," Philbin said. "I believe in our players, I believe in our staff, I believe in our organization, the people around here. I know why I got into coaching, and I believe in the things that I've done."

The team built by Philbin and general manager Jeff Ireland has undergone heavy roster turnover after losing records each of the past four years. Of the 53 players on the squad, 20 are new to Miami this season.

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Tampa Bay	14	10	4	0	47	35	20
Toronto	15	10	5	0	48	36	20
Detroit	16	9	5	2	40	41	20
Boston	14	8	5	1	38	28	17
Montreal	16	8	7	1	43	34	17
Ottawa	15	5	6	4	46	48	14
Florida	15	3	8	4	31	53	10
Buffalo	17	3	13	1	31	53	7

METROPOLITAN DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Pittsburgh	16	11	5	0	49	38	22
Washington	15	8	7	0	50	42	16
NY Islanders	15	6	6	3	47	50	15
NY Rangers	15	7	8	0	31	41	14
Carolina	15	5	7	3	29	45	13
Columbus	14	5	9	0	34	40	10
New Jersey	14	3	7	4	26	42	10
Philadelphia	14	4	9	1	22	39	9

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Colorado	13	12	1	0	42	19	24
Chicago	16	10	2	4	56	43	24
Minnesota	16	9	4	3	43	35	21
St. Louis	13	9	2	2	47	31	20
Nashville	14	7	5	2	31	40	16
Dallas	15	7	6	2	40	44	16
Winnipeg	17	6	9	2	40	51	14

PACIFIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	16	12	3	1	52	40	25
San Jose	15	10	1	4	57	32	24
Phoenix	16	11	3	2	54	48	24
Vancouver	17	10	5	2	48	44	22
Los Angeles	15	9	6	0	43	40	18
Calgary	15	6	7	2	43	54	14
Edmonton	16	4	10	2	40	62	10

THURSDAY'S GAMES

All Times Eastern

Minnesota at Washington, 7 p.m.
Florida at Boston, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
NY Islanders at Carolina, 7 p.m.
NY Rangers at Columbus, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Buffalo at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Vancouver at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

New Jersey at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Calgary at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Buffalo at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

MLS PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

NEW YORK VS. HOUSTON

Wednesday's result

Leg 2 — Houston 2 New York 1 (extra time)

SPORTING KC VS. NEW ENGLAND

Wednesday's result

Leg 2 — New England at Sporting KC, 9 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

PORTLAND VS. SEATTLE

Thursday's game

Leg 2 — Seattle at Portland, 11 p.m.

REAL SALT LAKE VS. LA GALAXY

Thursday's game

Leg 2 — LA Galaxy at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	5	0	1.000	—
Philadelphia	3	2	.600	2
Orlando	3	2	.600	2
Miami	3	2	.600	2
Charlotte	3	2	.600	2
Atlanta	2	2	.500	2 ^{1/2}
Detroit	2	2	.500	2 ^{1/2}
Milwaukee	2	2	.500	2 ^{1/2}
Brooklyn	2	2	.500	2 ^{1/2}
Toronto	2	3	.400	3
Cleveland	2	3	.400	3
Chicago	1	3	.250	3 ^{1/2}
New York	1	3	.250	3 ^{1/2}
Washington	1	3	.250	3 ^{1/2}
Boston	1	4	.200	4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	4	1	.800	—
Golden State	4	1	.800	—
Houston	4	1	.800	—
Oklahoma City	2	1	.667	1
Dallas	3	1	.750	1 ^{1/2}
Minnesota	3	2	.600	1
L.A. Clippers	3	2	.600	1
Phoenix	3	2	.600	1
Portland	2	2	.500	1 ^{1/2}
New Orleans	2	3	.400	2
L.A. Lakers	2	3	.400	2
Memphis	2	3	.400	2
Sacramento	1	3	.250	2 ^{1/2}
Denver	0	3	.000	3
Utah	0	5	.000	4

x - clinched playoff berth; y - division; z - conference.

Wednesday's results

Orlando 98 L.A. Clippers 90
Washington 116 Philadelphia 102
Charlotte 92 Toronto 90
Indiana 97 Chicago 80
Boston 97 Utah 87
Golden State 106 Minnesota 93
Milwaukee 109 Cleveland 104
New Orleans 99 Memphis 84
San Antonio 99 Phoenix 96
Dallas at Oklahoma City

CFL PLAYOFFS

DIVISION SEMIFINALS

EAST DIVISION

Sunday's game — All Times Eastern
Montreal vs. Hamilton (at Guelph, Ont.), 1 p.m.

WEST DIVISION

Sunday's game — All Times Eastern
B.C. at Saskatchewan, 4:30 p.m.
Byes: Toronto (East), Calgary (West)

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Do you feel good about yourself or do you feel guilty about some of the things you have done? If it's the latter, don't worry: fate is about to provide you with an opportunity to make amends. Take it.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

If you have something to say, say it now because after today it won't be so easy to find the right words. It does not matter if you are right or wrong, it matters only that you get your opinions out into the world.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Make an effort to talk to people about your dreams today. Don't be shy: Let them know what it is you desire most and how you intend to get it. If they are aware of your needs, they may be able to assist you.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

No matter how much you were looking forward to some down time over the next few days, the planets indicate you will have to put your social plans on hold for a while. It's your fault for leaving a task half-finished.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Be wary of someone who wants to know all about you. It could be they are being friendly but it could also be they are looking for information they can use against you.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You may think you have to adjust your long-term ambitions but from the look of your chart, you should let the current scenario work itself out.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Learn how to adapt because if you don't, you will be left behind. The world is changing by the day, the hour, the minute, and you must change with it. It's a matter of survival.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Is someone trying to confuse you or are you confusing yourself? From the look of your solar chart, it is most likely the latter. Get your head and then your act together! Life is simple when reduced to its essentials.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The only way to resolve a disagreement is to refuse to argue about it. You should know by now that some people are so extreme in their views that they can never be reasoned with. Ignore them.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Jupiter, planet of good fortune, turns retrograde today but that does not mean your lucky streak is about to end. It does mean though that you need to take other people's feelings into account a bit more.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You may feel sorry that a friend is having problems but is there anything practical you can do to help? If there is, do it. If there isn't, stay out of the way.

Pisces

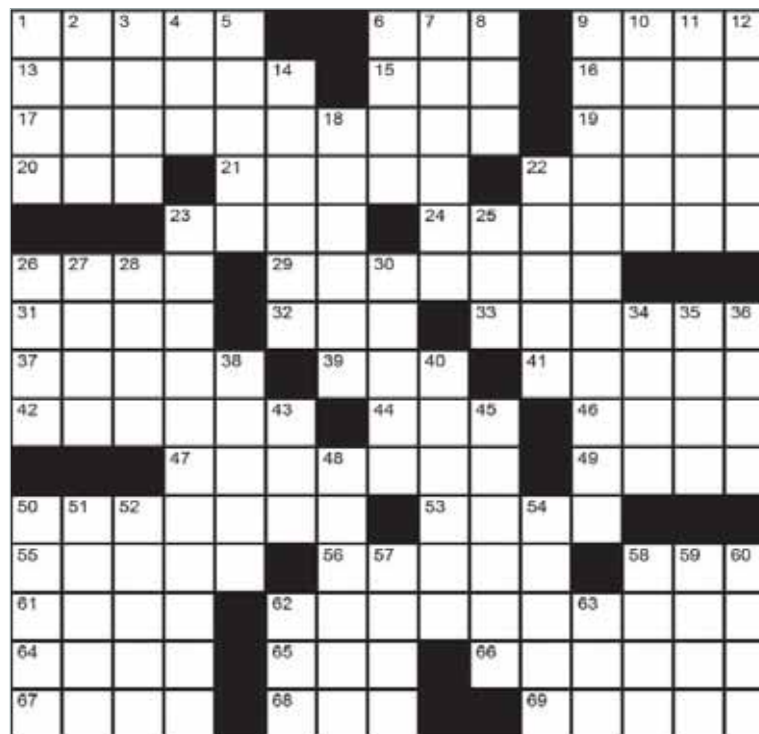
Feb. 20 - March 20

A decision will have to be reviewed in the light of new information and, you must admit that you got it wrong. Mistakes are a fact of life. It's whether you learn from them that matters. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- Toronto's CFL team, commonly
- Fall behind
- Alphabet sequence
- Internet: 2 wds.
- 1954 Rosemary Clooney hit: "This ___ House"
- "I need ___." (Dusting demand)
- Springdale, Newfoundland born actress Natasha
- Fun construction set
- Roosted
- Trumpet-playing Muppet
- "The Six Million Dollar Man" character Mr. Goldman
- Horn honk
- Sky's streaks of light
- "Good Times" disco group
- Airport northwest of Montreal
- Wood strip
- Singer Ms. Sumac
- One of classical music's "Three Bs"
- Saint ___ Mountains (Range where Mount Vancouver is)
- Author Ms. LeShan
- Violinist Mr. Stern
- PMO = Prime Minister's ___
- Suffix meaning "Sort of"
- "Howdy!": 2 wds.
- Bar sing-a-long



- Panache
- Much-studied-a-subject expert
- Some trees
- Secret chest
- Things over there
- Mantric syllables
- Pines
- "Hockey Night in Canada", for one:

- 2 wds.
- Potato ___ (Sort of soup)
- Furthermore
- Serena Ryder hit
- Water's whirl-ee
- Research paper, e.g.
- Ms. Spacek

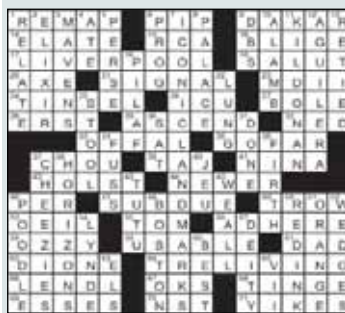
Down

- Olympics participants, for short
- Ms. Perlman
- Fine fellow
- Famous talk show maven ...her initials-sharers
- Ready, __, __!
- City in Poland

- Sault Ste. Marie: ___ University
- Barry Gibb, Bee ___
- Makeup kit items: 2 wds.
- ___-Roman wrestling
- Rock singer Sammy who has fronted Van Halen

- Mr. Stravinsky's
- Like a floor-sweeping implement
- Sooner or later: 2 wds.
- SNL alum Cheri
- 1892 ballet The Nutcracker composer, b.1840 - d.1893
- Reflux
- Mark Antony's love, for short
- Fifty percent
- "I can't help ___." (Excuse start)
- Car's dashboard item
- Salute
- SNL alum Ms. Rudolph
- Glance over
- Reduce, ___ back on
- Request: 2 wds.
- 'E' in BCE
- Stickups
- Lada Gaga's new album
- Vogue concern
- "With Arms Wide Open": 2000 hit for what band?
- Perfected
- Breaks
- Laugh-a-minute
- Electrical resistance units
- Cleaning implements
- Affect, as opinion
- Bering, e.g.
- "...or ___ thought."

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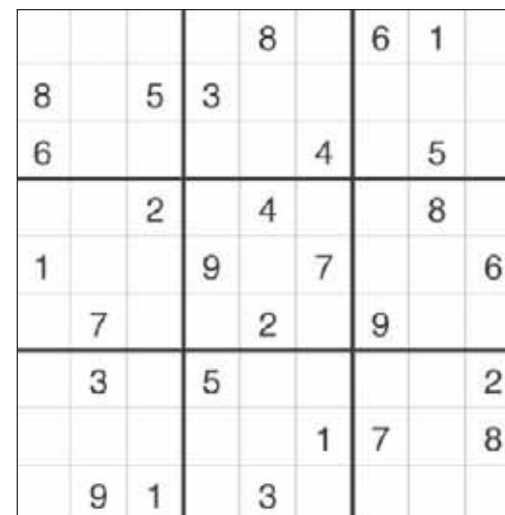


Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



MAX: 1°
MIN: -8°

FRIDAY



MAX: -2°
MIN: -4°

SATURDAY



MAX: -5°
MIN: -12°



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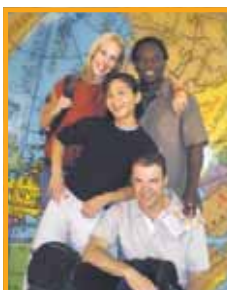


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